CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA
MAY 19, 2020 - CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

INVOCATION
Councilmember Waterfield gave the Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
Councilmember Moats led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CALL TO ORDER
Mayor Patino called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. The Council Chambers and City Hall were not open to the public. Pursuant to Section 3 of Executive Order N-29-20, issued by Governor Newsom on March 17, 2020, the regular meeting of the City Council for May 19, 2020, was conducted telephonically and broadcast live on the City's website, and on Comcast Cable Channel 23.

ROLL CALL:
MEMBERS PRESENT:
Mayor Alice Patino, Councilmember Michael Moats, Councilmember Mike Cordero, Councilmember Gloria Soto, and Councilmember Etta Waterfield

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT AND REMOTE:
City Manager Jason Stilwell, City Attorney Thomas Watson, Fire Chief Leonard Champion, Chief of Police Phillip Hansen, Director of Finance Mary Harvey, Chief Information Officer Jeffrey Marecic, Director of Public Works/City Engineer Kevin McCune, Director of Community Development Chuen Ng, Director of Recreation & Parks Alex Posada, Director of Utilities Shad Springer, Assistant Director of Recreation & Parks Brett Fulgoni, Chief Human Resources Officer Elena Morelos, Code Compliance Supervisor Joylyn Castaing, and Deputy City Clerk Beth Cleary

1 PROCLAMATIONS
There were no proclamations.

Mayor Patino moved Item 4A (COVID-19 presentations) up on the agenda and invited Assemblyman Jordan Cunningham, Fire Chief Leonard Champion, Glenn Morris with the Santa Maria Valley Chamber of Commerce, and Sue Andersen from Dignity Health to give updates on the COVID-19 situation and its impacts to their agencies and the community.

2 PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD
William Wagener submitted a written correspondence regarding the COVID-19 virus and asked the City to open up again.

3 CONSENT CALENDAR
Consent Calendar Items 3A-3F were approved as presented, including the adoption of Resolution Nos. 2020-38, 2020-39, and 2020-40. The recorded vote appears with each item below.

A. Waive the reading in full of all Ordinances and Resolutions. Ordinances on the Consent Agenda will be adopted by the same vote cast at the first meeting, unless City Council indicates otherwise.

Action: Readings waived.
Moved by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Cordero.
Motion carried. 5-0.

B. Approve the Minutes of the regular City Council meeting of May 5, 2020.

Action: Minutes approved as submitted.
Moved by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Cordero.
Motion carried. 5-0.

C. Payment of Warrants. Ordered ratified subject to having been certified as being in conformity with the budget and having been approved for payment by the Director of Finance.

Action: Ratified.
Moved by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Cordero.
Motion carried. 5-0.

D. Payment of Payroll. Ordered ratified subject to having been certified by the proper Department Directors, as shown on records on file in the Department of Finance, and having been approved for payment by the Director of Finance.

Action: Ratified.
Moved by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Cordero.
Motion carried. 5-0.

E. Adopt Resolutions authorizing the execution of the new Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the Breeze Route 100 service with the City of Santa Maria, City of Lompoc, and the County of Santa Barbara; and the Breeze Route 200 service between the City of Santa Maria, City of Buellton, City of Solvang, and the County of Santa Barbara from July 2, 2020-June 30, 2025.

Action: Breeze Routes 100 & 200 MOUs authorized.
Moved by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Cordero.
Adopted as Resolution Nos. 2020-38 and 2020-39. 5-0.

F. Adopt a Resolution authorizing an agent for the Statewide Parks Development and Community Revitalization grant for the Veterans' Memorial Park renovation.

Action: Agent authorized for grant.
Moved by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Cordero.
Adopted as Resolution No. 2020-40. 5-0.

4 PRESENTATIONS

A. The City Council received an update regarding the Coronavirus (COVID-19) situation. This item was presented at the beginning of the meeting in order to accommodate presenter schedules.

5 PUBLIC HEARING

A. **2020 WEED ABATEMENT PROGRAM.** The City Council held a public hearing to hear protests against the abatement of public nuisances such as dangerous weeds, rubbish, refuse, and dirt; and if no majority protest exists, authorize the City Attorney and Code Compliance to perform the abatement of the nuisances from public and unimproved private lots. Code Compliance Supervisor Joylyn Castaing gave a presentation as detailed in the Council Agenda Report.

Action: Adopt a Resolution overruling objections to the abatement of weeds, rubbish, refuse, and dirt pursuant to Title 5, Chapter 8 of the Santa Maria Municipal Code.
Moved by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Moats.
Motion carried. Adopted as Resolution No. 2020-41. 5-0.

B. **SETTING RULES OF CONDUCT FOR PARKS, PLAZAS, AND FACILITY USE.** The City Council considered introducing an ordinance adding new Chapter 8-20 to the Santa Maria Municipal Code establishing rules of conduct for parks, plazas, and facilities, and penalties for violations. Recreation & Parks Director Alex Posada gave a presentation as detailed in the Council Agenda Report.

Public input
Gale McNeeley spoke in opposition to the ordinance.

Action: Introduce an Ordinance for first reading, and continue to the next meeting for second reading and adoption, adding new Chapter 8-20 to the Santa Maria Municipal Code establishing rules of conduct for parks, plazas, and facilities, and penalties for violations.
Moved by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Moats.
Motion carried. Ordinance 2020-04 introduced. 4-1. Noes: Councilmember Soto.

6 REGULAR BUSINESS

A. **CALPERS PENSION LIABILITY ANALYSIS.** The City Council received a presentation from Bartel Associates, LLC, and filed the CalPERS Actuarial Issues report prepared by them. Mary Beth Redding, Vice President with Bartel Associates, gave a presentation as detailed in the Council Agenda Report.

Action: Report was received and filed.

B. **THIRD QUARTER FINANCIAL REPORT.** The City Council received and filed the Quarterly Financial Report for the third quarter ending March 31, 2020. Director of Finance Mary Harvey gave a presentation as detailed in the Council Agenda Report.

Action: Report was received and filed.

REPORT BY CITY MANAGER

City Manager Stilwell reported that the next regular City Council meeting would be June 2, 2020. Items on the agenda would include the distribution of the proposed 2020-2022 two-year budget, a COVID-19 update, and a Land Use Zone Amendment at the Skyway Drive/Fairway Drive location.

ORAL REPORTS OF COUNCILMEMBERS AND OFFICERS (INCLUDING AB1234 REPORTS)
Councilmembers Moats, Soto, and Cordero had no reportable items.

Councilmember Waterfield reported she attended a LAFCO meeting.

Mayor Patino reported she attended a couple of Santa Maria Key Leaders check-in teleconferences; an Altrusa Junior High School Awards caravan; legislative briefing calls regarding COVID-19; a Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors meeting; a Fighting Back Santa Maria Valley Board meeting; and a couple of Rotary meetings.

ADJOURNMENT
There being no further business before the City Council, Mayor Patino declared the City Council meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m. in memory of Willie Green and Paul Hood.

Approved at a regular meeting on June 2, 2020.

M. Beth Cleary, CMC
Deputy City Clerk and ex officio Clerk
of the City Council

ATTEST:

M. Beth Cleary, CMC
Deputy City Clerk

Alice M. Patino
Mayor of the City of Santa Maria